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1. Railroad shipments which passed through Wittstock and were unloaded in Dranse (N 54/U 22) included 16 T-34 tanks on 28 April and 18 T-34 tanks on 29 April 1951. 50X1-HUM
2. Truck convoys coming from the direction of Wittstock and driving to Schweinrich included: 50X1-HUM
 - 27 April. 22 trucks.
 - 29 April. 18 trucks.
 - 30 April. 15 trucks.
 - 1 May. 12 trucks, including 9 tank trucks. All carried 15 to 20 soldiers each. 50X1-HUM
3. A Soviet Kommandantura was re-established in Schweinrich on 25 April. The premises of the Grimme wood-processing firm on Roebelstrasse in Wittstock were occupied by soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets on 27 April. Motor vehicle spare parts were unloaded in the yard from trucks. 50X1-HUM
4. Prior to 17 May, no training activities were observed at the Schweinrich training area. The small arms range between Dranse and Zempow was stripped of all installations. POL supplies for the troops arrived by tank car at the Dranse railroad station and were picked up by tank trucks. Tank cars which came from Schwerin arrived at a rate of two per day between 13 and 17 May. 50X1-HUM

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- * Comment. The majority of the components of the 18th Mecz Div arriving at the Wittstock troop training grounds were unloaded between 19 and 23 April 1951. . It is possible, however, that some elements of the division arrived at Dranse as late as the end of April. All but one of the motor vehicle belong to the 18th Mecz Div. The information indicates that a motor vehicle repair shop was set up on the premises of the Grimme wood-processing firm. 50X1-HUM
- ** Comment. The fact that the motor vehicle belong to the 18th Mecz Div and, in part, to the 94th Gds Mtz Rifle Division somewhat strengthens the previous belief that the three troop trains unloaded in Dranse on 10 May carried components of the 94th Gds Mtz Rifle Div. This would also account for the departing of troops toward the southeast by rail and road from Schwerin between 1 and 5 May. 50X1-HUM

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